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Director's Meeting

Thursday, 17 May 1951



There was discussion of the letter to Senator Russell and the line that Mr. Dulles was to take with Senator Saltonstall. The Director said to stress the fact that we wanted no public hearings.

Mr. Jackson reported that O/NE would have an evaluation of HICOG's estimate on Russian weaknesses ready for the President today.

In answer to an inquiry from Mr. Dulles the Director stated that he did not want items edited out of the daily log.

Mr. Dulles said that he was seriously concerned with the situation in the Middle East and thought that we should review estimates on the situation. It was pointed out that an estimate on Iran was to be discussed today by the IAC.

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Mr. Dulles said General Ackerman had complained about CIA's delay in preparing the escape and evasion manual.

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The Director agreed to ask [redacted] to make himself available for consideration with the agency.

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DCI's, 17 May 51 (cont.)

Mr. Dulles reported that Colonel [ ] USAF, was leaving O/SO and that he believed that the Director should give him a letter of commendation. The Director instructed Mr. [ ] to prepare such a letter and produce Colonel [ ]

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25X1. Mr. Jackson asked if the Director had discussed O/NE with Captain [ ]. The Director summarized Captain [ ]'s views as indicating that service men in O/NE do not have sufficient work or responsibility; that the staff appears to have a closed shop; that new arrivals are not sufficiently utilized; that relations with the service representatives on the outside were not too well defined.

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25X1 Mr. [ ] raised the question of the Watch Committee and the disagreement of views between G-2 and CIA.

It was reported that we had alerted our offices in [ ]

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25X1 Mr. [ ] inquired as to General Huebner's status at the MA's conference.

25X1 Mr. [ ] reported that the Air Force had obtained parts of an engine of a MIG-15, by sending helicopters behind the lines in Korea, to appreciate that the Soviets had made tremendous strides in the development of the jet engine.

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